DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SECURITY

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BRIDGWATER PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY

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SECTION I - Staff

TABLE A

Name of Officer	Nature of Appointment	Date of Appointment	Qualifications	Any other appointments held
R.H.Watson	Medical Officer of Health.	31-7-47	M.B. B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.H.	M.O.H. Bridgwater Borough & Rural District. M.O.H.Burnham-on-Sea U.D.C. Divisional School Medical Officer, and Area Medical Officer. Somerset County Council.
D.J.Hunt	Port Health Inspector	1-7-67	M.A.P.H.I. Assoc. R.S.H.	Chief Public Health Inspector. Borough of Bridgwater

Address of Medical Officer of Health: Area Health Office,
22 King Square,
BRIDGWATER,
Somerset.

Telephone No. of Medical Officer of Health: Office; Bridgwater: 4147
Residence; Bridgwater: 3028

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22 King Square,
BRIDGWATER,
Somerset,

February, 1969

To: the Chairman and Members of the
Bridgwater Port Health Authority.

Gentlemen,

I have the honour to submit my report for the year ended 31st December, 1968.

The health of the Port has been satisfactory throughout the year.

Treatment of veneral diseases is obtainable at the Clinic in Bridgwater, and details of these arrangements and also facilities available at all Bristol Channel ports, are displayed in prominent positions throughout the area of the Port.

The Port Health Inspector's Report is appended, together with statistics of the shipping using the Port.

R. H. WATSON,

Medical Officer of Health

4 Taunton Road,
BRIDGWATER,
Somerset,

February, 1969

To: the Chairman and Members of the
Bridgwater Port Health Authority.

Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting my report for the year ended 31st December, 1968.

The number of coastwise ships entering the Port during the year has increased by 109 with a total tonnage of 219,056 tons. This is due mainly to increased tanker trade at Walpole and sand trade at Dunball.

The number of ships from foreign ports has fallen this year by 27, this is due to the reduction of the importation of fertiliser which had reached a record figure in 1967. Three shipments of tomato puree were received and samples submitted to the Public Health Laboratory and the County Analyst proved satisfactory.

The inspections carried out have not revealed any serious defects, whilst no rats were found on any vessel.

D. J. HUNT,

Port Health Inspector

SECTION II

Amount of shipping entering the district during the year 1968.

TABLE B.

Ships from	Number	Tonnage	Number Inspected		Number of ships reported as having or having had during the voyage infectious disease on board.
			By the Medical Officer of Health	By the Port Health Inspector	
Foreign ports	124	28,426	4	124	-
Coast-wise	1,359	219,056	1	21	-
TOTAL	1,483	247,482	5	145	-

SECTION III

Character of shipping and trade during the year

TABLE C.

PASSENGER TRAFFIC	(Number of passengers INWARD - Nil (Number of passengers OUTWARDS - Nil
CARGO TRAFFIC	(Principal IMPORTS Grain, Sand, Wood Pulp, Timber, Feeding Stuffs, Fishmeal, Fertiliser, Asphalte and Oil. (Principal EXPORTS Scrap Iron.
PRINCIPAL COUNTRIES from which ships arrive	(Foreign - Eire, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden, Holland, Germany & France. (Coastwise - Northern Ireland and Bristol Channel Ports.

SECTIONS IV, V, VI, VII.

The information under these sections is unchanged and may be obtained from reports of previous years.

SECTIONS VIII.

Venereal Diseases.

Clinics are held at the Health Centre, Mount Street, Bridgwater each week as follows:-

Monday:	Males:	5.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.
Thursday:	Females:	5.00 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.
	Males:	5.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.

In-patient treatment is available at Ham Green Hospital, Bristol.

Particulars of treatment facilities in Bristol Channel Ports are displayed at all wharves and docks.

SECTIONS IX, X, XI, XII.

The information under these sections is unchanged and may be obtained from reports of previous years.

SECTIONS XIII

Inspections of ships for nuisances

TABLE G.

Inspections and Notices.

Nature and Number of Inspections		Notices Served		Result of Serving Notices Nuisances Abated
		Statutory Notices	Other Notices	
British	12	-	-	-
Foreign	133	-	-	-
Total	145	-	-	-

SECTIONS XIV, XV, XVI

The information under these sections is unchanged and may be obtained from reports of previous years.